

Phoenixville Borough Recreation Department

The Mission of the Phoenixville Recreation Board is to advance parks, recreation, and environmental conservation efforts that enhance the quality of life for all people.

Meeting held on Monday, August 19, 2024, at the Recreation Center at 501 Franklin Avenue

Members Present: Dana Dugan, Dave Gill, Kathy Gill, Janet Hunter, Ed Lantzy

Members Absent: Andrew Hungerbuhler, Frank Markey, and Allison Peffle

Staff Present: Melissa Gibbons and Sam Alpern

Meeting Called to order: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gill at 6:30 pm after declaring The Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Ed Lantzy made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 2024 meeting. Kathy Gill seconded. Approved. There was no meeting in July.

Visitors – Public Comment: Nicholas Flor shared his idea about a table for outdoor table tennis. After discussion, it seemed like Joe Rowan Park would be the best place for it.

Staff Report for Programs/Activities/Leagues: Ms. Gibbons shared that Softball Leagues are going well; Women's Volleyball will start in mid-September along with Fall Softball. Summer samps went well with high attendance!

Program #s for July ~Flag Football – 42; Snapology – 14; Sewing – 6; Facetime Theater – 18; Youth Yoga – 10; Young Rembrandts – 13; Science Explorers – 18; Ramp Up Skate – 18 and Fundamental Tennis Clinic – 12

Fall Fest will be held on Saturday, October 26 at the Recreation Center

Please visit the Rec Table on First Friday!

Please see all programs being offered by the Recreation Department @ phoenixville.org/Recreation.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Gym Wall: There was a hole in the gym wall that needs to be repaired. Looking into placing padding on all the walls.

Park Inspections For the 2025 Budget: Recreation Board Members visited all parks and made recommendations in attached file.

Independence Day: Council voted to have fireworks held at the Recreation Center/Pat Nattle Field on the first Saturday in July yearly. Activities and vendors will be available from 6:00-9:00. Already locked in are July 5, 2025 and July 4, 2026.

Capital Projects for 2024 that have been completed: Reservoir Park has new sidewalks beside the driveway along with a lot of new parking spaces behind the reservoir; refinishing of the Cascaden Park Basketball Court along with tree trimming; Bocce and Horseshoes at Joe Rowan Park. Hole 13 at the Disc Golf Course was redesigned and rerouted by Eagle Scout Connor Heil.

Ms. Gibbons shared that Phoenixville has been designated a Bird Town USA!

Ms. Hunter shared about the idea of a new bird preserve at Taylor Street Park.

Move to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ed Lantzy and seconded by Kathy Gill. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, September 16, 2024, at 6:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Hunter
Secretary